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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 772
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Eleanor Morgan Petty,
2002 Valedictorian of Sevier County High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Eleanor Morgan Petty is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, Ms. Petty has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; and

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WHEREAS, during her four years at Sevier County High School, Eleanor Morgan Petty has been a valuable member of many programs and clubs, including the Beta Club, the AFS, the Veteran's Day Program, the Junior Board of the Humane Society, and the Interact Club; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded leader among her peers, Ms. Petty has served as the Sevier County High School Band Officer, Editor of the Yearbook Staff, President of the National Honor Society, Board Member of Sevierville Teen, Co-Chair of Teen Board Thanksgiving Project, Chair of Teen Board Christmas Project, Secretary and Treasurer of SADD, and Historian of the Spanish Club; and

WHEREAS, she has demonstrated tremendous musical ability as a talented Clarinet and Saxophone player with the Sevier County High School Marching Band, and Oboe Player with the Sevier County High School Symphonic Band, where she earned the distinction of being 1st Chair for her section; she was also selected to participate in a Junior Band Clinic in the Knox County area; and

WHEREAS, Eleanor Morgan Petty's extraordinary work ethic and commitment to learning have earned her numerous awards and honors, including Superior Sevierian and English I and III Honors Awards; she was also nominated by her Senior Class for Best All Around, Most Likely to Succeed, Most Intellectual, Most Dependable, and Most Courteous; and

WHEREAS, a conscientious and active member of her community, Ms. Petty has served as an East Tennessee Alzheimer's Association Volunteer, St. Joseph's Episcopal Church Acolyte, Sevier County Food Ministry Volunteer, Sevier County Theatre Guild Actress, and Sevier County Humane Society Volunteer; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition at Sevier County High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Eleanor Morgan Petty's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Petty's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Eleanor Morgan Petty, on her impressive academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.